



**November 18, 2013 Moss Bay/Lakeview Neighborhood**

### **Vision Comments**

The following are citizen comments received in group discussions at the Moss Bay/Lakeview Neighborhood Meeting. Discussion questions were about Land Use, Community Character, Housing, Economic Development, and Transportation.

#### **Land Use -**

##### **Where and how should growth occur in the City? (Dispersed vs. concentrated?)**

- 1/3 Central Business District, 2/3 Totem Lake
- 1/4 CBD/Moss, 3/4 Totem Lake
- Rename Central Business District to Waterfront District
- Reutilize existing properties
- Redevelop Houghton shopping center - allow to go up
- May need another shopping center to be within walking distance
- Home occupation and ADU rules need to meet multigenerational families; Condo covenants limit these
- Encourage home based business; – fewer car trips
- Totem Lake
- Jobs walking distance from housing
- NE of Big O Tires
- CBD/Totem Lake/BT Shopping Ctr
- Around neighborhood commercial centers
- Yarrow Bay
- Encourage tourism and retail in the CBD
- Develop Park Place like University Village
- Grow not like Bellevue
- NE 85th St
- Not in Kirkland waterfront; should retain waterfront-related activities such as restaurants, farmers markets, music
- Totem Lake should provide big box stores, taller office where there are roads & transit
- Bridle Trails needs more activity (although surrounding roads are too narrow)
- Roads need to be designed to accommodate growth
- South Kirkland Park & Ride - low income housing good idea near parking & transit
- Meet growth with current zoning
- Keep growth in scale with neighborhood
- City mistake – Portsmouth building too tall; evaluate existing zoning to make lower buildings and reduce density
- Encourage grocery stores to stay

**Many people want to see the Totem Lake shopping center redeveloped. What other changes might make Totem Lake a more appealing place to live, work and visit?**

- Public investments in Totem Lake to help redevelopment
- Add a major recreation or movie theater
- Focus on lake
- Recreation complex there
- Add Condos around lake

### **Housing -**

**We may have up to 8,000 new housing units by 2035. In your neighborhood, what types of housing should we try to encourage?**

- Diversity of housing
- Smaller houses on smaller lots
- Energy efficient
- Affordable
- Housing in walkable areas
- Common spaces
- Mix services in with housing
- Small/dense buildings
- Density transitions
- Housing supported by business
- Pea patches
- Disperse low income housing
- No change - shouldn't need to change because can already handle GMA requirements

**Think about housing for lower to middle income people (income not greater than 50% of median household income for King County). What types of housing should it be? Where should it be located?**

- Where land is affordable and transit is available - where affordable housing makes sense
- Near shops and supporting businesses
- Both opinions for affordable housing types:
  - Separate buildings
  - Mixed with market rate

### **Community Character -**

**The Vision Statement in the Comprehensive Plan refers to Kirkland as having a small town feel. What does "small town feel" mean to you? (Characteristics to retain in future, how to grow gracefully while keeping small town feel?)**

- Services within walking or biking distance
- Local unique businesses
- Hardware store
- Children walking home from school
- Gathering places
- Driving to - not through - downtown
- Neighborhood Plan updates
- Stick to our plans
- Economic diversity - variety of incomes
- Cottage housing
- Parks
- Greenery
- Lower buildings by single family
- Use buffer zones between housing and commercial
- Encourage small business
- Discourage corporate, national chains
- Signs make a difference (size, lighting, placement)
- Outdoor planters and street furniture
- Bring Xmas tree back to Peter Kirk park
- Encourage small businesses
- "Walkability"
- Special because its a pleasant place
- Lights in pavement at crosswalks GREAT
- Focus on traffic level of service before zoning changes and new permits

### **Economic Development –**

***What types of jobs and businesses should Kirkland try to attract in the future?  
(More high tech, retail, office? Other? Light manufacturing?)***

- Recreational businesses and businesses close to home
- More office buildings with supportive retail and restaurants
- Less nail/hair salons on ground floor
- Underground all power lines; provide incentives
- Pharmacy
- Encourage home based business
- City should provide high speed wireless to encourage business

### **Transportation –**

***In your transportation vision for Kirkland in 2035, what would you see? What are your expectations? What will it look like? Describe as specifically as possible. Do you see much change from now? (More frequent buses and route? Other new modes? Dedicated lanes for each mode? More bike lanes? Pedestrian paths?)***

- New 6-8 lanes on new I405 east of Redmond
- Separate bike lanes from auto traffic
- Toll Lake Washington Blvd and Market Street
- Big incentives for small cars/smart cars, electric
- Water transportation
- Buses - smaller, more frequent, cover more area, go to park & ride lot
- Assisted living facilities share a shuttle bus around town